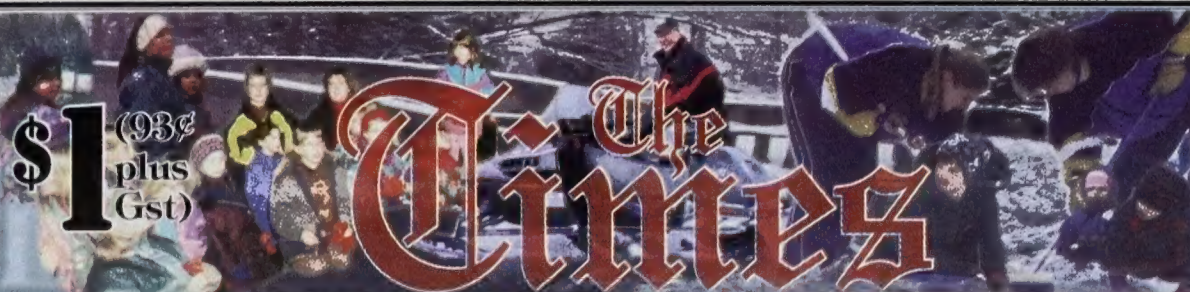


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Victoria Road residents lose OMB battle

The Ontario Municipal Board has approved the bid by a Fenelon Falls lawyer to developed a quarry near Victoria Road. After eleven days of arduous hearings and months of protest, the OMB approved the plan to expand an area of the Carden Plain to quarry limestone from James Webster's family farm.

Five W Farms attempted to build the quarry on 470 acres that the Webster family has owned since 1959. Part of the construction of the quarry involved a change to the Victoria County Official Plan. A group of concerned residents from Victoria Road and the surrounding area opposed the construction, citing problems with noise, dust and water contamination. The group has been working since early spring in 1998 to gather research and expert witnesses to support its claim at the Ontario Municipal Board hearing, held in Cobocok in November. The OMB judgement was returned last week and according to Webster, it is hoped that work in the quarry will be underway by the summer. "It was a long process," said Webster. "We got nothing that we were not prepared to accept."

Residents of Victoria Road were upset over the ruling and are now reviewing their options. Michael Poulson was one of the presenters speaking on behalf of those opposed to the quarry. The group was concerned that the community of Victoria Road would be detrimentally affected by the construction of a quarry. "It was exhausting," said Poulson, of the eleven day OMB hearing process. Representatives from both sides met in

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AND THEY'RE OFF!: The fifteenth annual Minden Techni-cal Challenge Sled Dog Derby proved to be yet another successful race. Crowds of people gathered to watch the two days of racing, which begins and ends on Main Street. Here Musher Gary Callaghan tears out of the start gate and on to a first place finish in the four dog class.

Ontario and Quebec drivers are tops in annual Sled Dog Derby

Ontario and Quebec drivers shared the top honours in this year's Minden Techni-Cal Challenge Sled Dog Derby, held January 16 and 17.

Jean LaFontaine of St. Theophil, Quebec captured the eight dog honours and top prize of \$3,100 in prize money. His time for two days of racing was just over an hour at 1:00:25.95.

Top spot in the four dog class went to Gary Callaghan of Madison, Ohio. This was his second appearance at the event. His time was 32:03.18 giving him top prize of \$1,600.

Prizes are awarded on the basis of the total time over two days of racing. On Sunday, both top finishers shaved significant seconds off their first heat on Saturday. Lafontaine covered the eight mile course on Saturday in 30:37.87 and completed the circuit on Sunday in 29:48.08. Callaghan's time over the four mile course for Saturday was 16:16.77, while on Sunday he

completed the course in 15:46.41.

This was the fifteenth running of this annual event, which drew thousands of spectators to the small central Ontario community of Minden. Mushers from as far away as New Mexico and Colorado took part, with the largest contingents coming from Ontario and Quebec.

Race Governor Val Lougheed was extremely happy with the weekend of racing. "We had a great group of mushers who were very pleased with the conditions and the welcome they received from the Minden and area residents. The event, which is sponsored by Martin Pet Foods of Elmira, is staged with the assistance of over 150 volunteers.

Other top finishers in the eight dog class included: in second place, Real Turmel of St. Augustin, Quebec at 1:01:13.66; third Lou Serre of Markstay, Ontario at 1:02:03.88;

fourth, Cindy Samburg-Jost of Paul Smiths, New York at 1:02:54.11; and Richard Therrien of St. Emile, Quebec at 1:02:56.45.

Those sharing the top five honours in the four dog class included: in second place, Pat Hnatiuk of Massey Ontario at 33:13.49; third, Lou Serre of Markstay, Ontario with a time of 33:13.98; fourth, Jean LaFontaine of St. Theophil, Quebec at 34:28.14; and fifth John Samburg of Paul Smiths, New York, 34:55.26.

New to this year's event, and to the North American racing circuit, was the Junior Class, for mushers between the ages of eight and 13. Jaclyn Rice of Saylorsburg, Pennsylvania captured the top prize in this event.

Following last year's derby, which is sanctioned by the International Sled Dog Racing Association, participating mushers voted this event the best in the North America.

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EXPOSED: Dave Ferguson braved the elements in shorts, parka and boots to raise money for the Minden Hospital Building Fund.

Bare-legged canvasser raises \$478.50

Minden Resident Dave Ferguson's "exposure" resulted in a \$478.50 windfall for the Minden Hospital Building Fund. Ferguson took his lead from Times publisher Jack Brezina, who, raised more than \$2,000 by wearing shorts and wheeling a wheelbarrow at Santa Claus parades in Haliburton, Minden and Kinmount to gather contributions for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation.

As a conservation officer with the Minden Ministry of Natural Resources office, Ferguson works every other weekend. As a result, he said he usually plans family activities for his weekends off. But he decided to do something a little out of the ordinary for the community, with the blessing of his family. Ferguson donned a pair

of shorts and made the rounds on Minden's Main Street pushing a sled with a plastic pail for contributions.

A lot of people threw in five dollar bills, with donations as high as \$50. The pail also contained plenty of \$1 and \$2 coins.

When asked by people from the crowd at the Sled Dog Derby where he was going to end up, Ferguson replied, "The funeral home." That's where the money from his venture was counted and turned over to Minden Hospital Building Fund chairperson Barry Cray.

Ferguson spent about an hour Saturday afternoon with his legs exposed to the elements, collecting donations for the fund from derby patrons. He said the effort was "very worthwhile."

MNR ends spring bear hunt

Natural Resources Minister John Snobelen announced Friday that the provincial government intends to end the spring bear hunt, effective in 1999.

"Many people have told us that the way the hunt is conducted and the inevitable loss of some cubs is unacceptable," Snobelen said. "We have reviewed current practices and considered modifications, but none provide assurance that young bears and their mothers would be protected as they emerge from their dens in the spring. Stopping the hunt is the only protection for the animals."

A fact sheet provided

with Snobelen's announcement recognizes that Ontario has one of the highest black bear populations in North America, estimated at between 75,000 and 100,000. Spring bear hunting has been an annual Ontario tradition for decades.

The decision was made on the basis that mother bears could be shot, leaving cubs orphaned and unlikely to survive. It has been illegal to shoot a female bear with cubs in the spring for some time.

Many hunting outfitters have already invested resources in preparation for the 1999 spring bear hunt.

"We realize this action will create problems for some outfitters," Snobelen said. "We will do whatever is reasonable to address the impact."

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Our error

The report of the Minden Sled Dog Derby Poster contest winners in last week's edition, incorrectly identified the grand champion. The poster judged to be the most interesting was created by Mark Arike. Our front page photo and poster contest report identified him as Mike. Our apologies.



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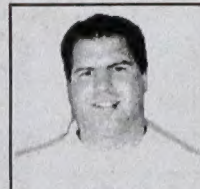
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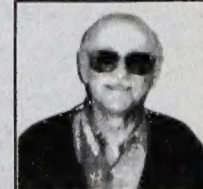
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Olympic class shooting range in Lutterworth?

by Jerry Grozelle

An ambitious plan to build an Olympic class shooting range facility in Lutterworth Township could mean as much as \$1-million in revenues to local construction businesses.

Keith Cunningham and Linda Miller of Burnt River have drafted proposal to build a facility, called the Home Range Venture (HRV) that would be suitable for the training of police officers as well as recreational shooters. It would include a 1,000 yard range and a 100 metre range. The facility would be built to military specifications, which exceed federal government guidelines for shooting facilities by a considerable margin.

Cunningham is a retired infantry captain with the Canadian Armed Forces. He trains police officers in marksmanship, but he must travel to the Connaught Range in Ottawa, Base Borden (near Barrie) or a range in the Hamilton area.

Cunningham and Miller met at the Commonwealth Games. He was competing in full-bore and she was shooting in the women's smallbore competitions.

Miller mentioned that she would like to have a rifle range for smallbore shooting and Cunningham told her that he had a dream for a fullbore range, with facilities where he could conduct

his police training courses. That discussion sparked a search for suitable property that started in 1995. Several potential sites were investigated before they found the Lutterworth site, which is ideal for the purpose. A parcel of land more than 600 acres in size was purchased. They approached Lutterworth council, the Ministry of Natural Resources, Ministry of Environment, as well as neighbouring property owners with their idea. Reactions, they say, have been mostly favourable.

One landowner expressed some concern about the potential for excessive noise. Cunningham says he brought in a sound engineer, who took readings which proved that noise would not be a factor.

He took three rifles to a point on their property at the closest point to the adjacent property owner's home is located. The three rifles were a .308, a 7mm magnum and a .375 Ackley Improved. The first two rifles didn't even register on the engineer's decibel meter, a device which measures sound intensity. The engineer was at the corner of the Home Range Venture property closest to the neighbour. The report of the .375 Ackley Improved, a calibre which many would term "an elephant gun," registered 36 decibels (db), only six db higher than the ambient noise. By comparison, traffic from County

Road 121, a few hundred yards distant, measured higher, at 50 db. The .308 is the calibre which is used in full bore competition. Larger, noisier calibres would only be a factor when hunters are sighting in their rifles or practicing their marksmanship.

In order to ensure a comfortable buffer zone and to provide easier access to their property off a year-round road, Miller and Cunningham will need to acquire additional land. The MNR owns land which is ideally suited for the purpose, so they have applied to purchase a parcel of a few hundred acres and to lease another, similar sized parcel. The total area, including the property they already own would comprise nearly 1,800 acres. The safety template requires about 1,200 acres.

The property is ideally suited for the purpose since it is fairly remote. The terrain throughout most of the site is not really suitable for other recreational purposes because it is swampy in areas and fairly rugged, Cunningham said. Some areas of the property, which are isolated from the range may be suitable for hiking trails or other recreational activities. Cunningham said those areas could be developed as well, offering a variety of outdoor recreation opportunities.

A public meeting has been arranged for Wednesday, January 27 at the

Lutterworth Municipal Office to receive input from the public regarding the proposal.

If the proposal doesn't run into any snags, Cunningham said the 100 metre range could be constructed by this summer. He noted that such a facility could be a big draw to the area.

"The ORA (Ontario Rifle Association) conducts matches nearly every weekend," Cunningham said, adding that the ORA might consider using the HRV for some of those matches. He said he would like to have the range completed in time to offer the facility for the Olympic shooting events in 2008.

The Haliburton County Marksman Club has a range in the same general vicinity. It is used for handgun, rifle and shotgun competitions as well as recreational shooting. That facility would not be suitable for the type of training and competition that Miller and Cunningham foresee at their facility. They are both members of the Haliburton Marksmen Club and they say there would be no conflict with the club.

Law enforcement officers from across North America attend the courses conducted by Cunningham.

"I've been told that my course is better than the courses offered by the

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STOP officials advise snowmobilers to stay off ice

Low water levels in area lakes and rivers in the fall have made for some dangerous snowmobiling conditions, according to Minden/Coboconk OPP. Five snowmobile deaths have been recorded in Ontario this year.

According to the local STOP program (Snowmobile Trail Officer Patrol), the fluctuating water levels of the fall, has created a dangerous situation for snowmobilers. Many bodies of water that would not normally freeze over, have formed a thin layer of ice that is unsuitable for supporting the weight of a snowmobile. Past experience or local knowledge about certain bodies of water will not apply this year and as water levels rise during a thaw, all ice crossings will become hazardous.

Currently there are 18 volunteers in the STOP program, sworn in by OPP to allow them to regulate the trails in the

area. They cover a huge area, stretching from Algonquin Park to Lake Ontario and all stops in between. Five of the volunteers are based in Haliburton County.

Local snowmobile clubs who use ice crossings as part of their trail systems will continue to monitor ice conditions and make every effort to ensure the safety of persons using these groomed, marked trails. It is important to stay on the trail while on the lake. Wandering off the trail can place snowmobilers in jeopardy.

The OPP advise snowmobilers to plan their trips around bodies of water and let someone know where they are going. They should stick to this plan to ensure that if an accident occurs, emergency personnel can reach them.

If your snowmobile does go through the ice, you should act quickly and try

to get out in the same direction you went in. The ice will support you at that point and will not give way as you propel yourself out of the hole with a kicking action. Roll out onto the ice and seek shelter immediately. Keep a box of waterproof matches in your snowmobile suit, not on your snowmobile, in case you need to start a fire for warmth.

According to Senior Constable Ed Garron, the Area STOP Co-ordinator, this area has been relatively free of safety infractions. The most common problem occurs when STOP volunteers pull snowmobilers over and they do not have the appropriate insurance or licence documents. "People just tear off

out of the house or cottage without this kind of thing," said Garron.

One further reminder from the STOP program is to make sure that your vision is not impeded by condensation on your helmet visor. Three of the five deaths this year have been as a result of collisions with parked vehicles. Remember to slow down, take extra care and if you are unsure of a situation, err on the side of caution. The speed limit in towns and villages is 20 kilometres per hour.

Snowmobiling can be an enjoyable and thrilling activity. Make sure you keep safety in mind, to ensure that you will be able to enjoy many more snowmobiling seasons to come.

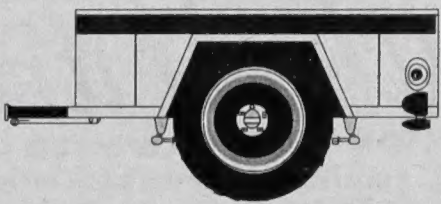
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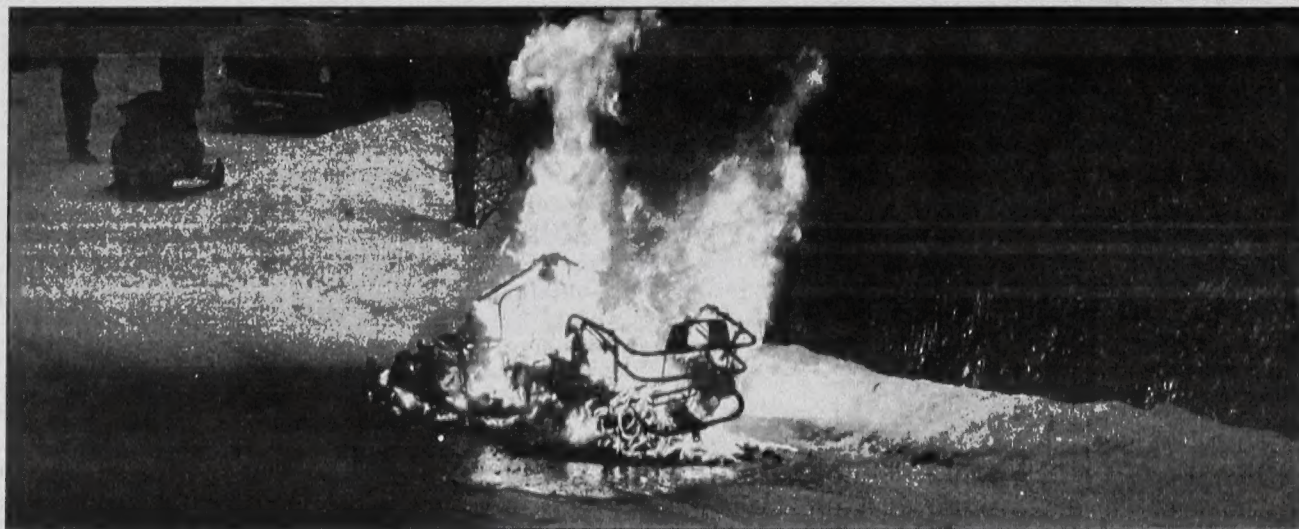
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Somerville council debates ticketing option and Y2K issue

The following report is a summary of some of the items discussed at the regular meeting of Somerville Municipal Council on January 11.

Provincial Offenses Debate

Councillors debated the importance of a ticketing system for anyone who does not conform to a Somerville municipal by-law, with emphasis on the revamped dog by-law. Council reviewed information gathered by Chief Building Official Marg LeCraw on appointing a staff member a provincial offenses officer, who would then be able to issue tickets for by-law infractions. The theory behind the move towards this system for municipalities is that it would save time and money issuing tickets, rather than being involved in sometimes lengthy and costly legal battles.

Deputy Reeve Jack MacDonald stated that by issuing tickets, the council would only be adding to the bureaucracy at a time when the municipality was already burdened with work. Councillor John Byrne argued that by-laws, such as the dog by-law was useless and irrelevant without some sort of penalty, such as a ticket.

"I think you are creating a monster just to chase a few dogs," said MacDonald.

The issue was discussed, and the monthly report from the chief building official was received.

County Road Complaints

As council received the monthly road superintendents report, Reeve Dianne Austin, noted that the township had received several complaints about snow conditions on roads maintained by the County of Victoria. Reeve Austin suggested that the staff maintain a log book of some sort to keep track of the complaints received. Roads Superintendent Pat Russell stated that his monthly report could have been summed up in two words: snow removal.

Y2K Concerns

Somerville Council will be sending a staff member to a seminar to be held in Toronto at the end of January, regarding municipal implications of the Year 2000 problem or Y2K. Reeve Austin noted her concern for the issue. "This is not to be taken lightly. I don't want to be on the hook as an individual councillor," said Austin. Austin referred to the fact that municipal council members can be held responsible for the heat, food and shelter of its residents in the event of a major Y2K shutdown. Council also reviewed an article that appeared in *The Times* which discussed what Y2K options Anson, Hindon and Minden council was reviewing. It was decided that at least one staff member should attend the conference.

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HKPR Joint Executive Committee formed

Haliburton Highlands Health Services has solidified its role among the Haliburton, Kawartha and Pine Ridge district hospitals with the launch of the HKPR Joint Execu-

tive Committee. The committee, the result of months of planning from representatives of five hospital boards, is expected to allow greater information and resource

sharing between the hospitals, a major benefit for Haliburton Highlands residents.

HHHS Executive Director Foster Loucks believes that the Joint Ex-

ecutive Committee or JEC will allow Haliburton to glean information and resources from the larger hospitals, as well as create a stronger network for patient information. "We're a little fish that needs to swim in a larger pond," said Loucks. "We will have more direct access now that we are equal partners. We will have access to services that we would not usually be able to provide."

The JEC consists of representatives of the Campbellford Memorial Hospital, Haliburton Highlands Health Services, the Northumberland Health Care Centre, Ross Memorial Hospital and Peterborough Regional Health Centre. Haliburton will be represented by Foster Loucks, Chief of Staff Dr. Aoife Conway, and Board Members Ted Wilkes and

Dave Coulson. Haliburton, as the other four groups, will represent one vote on the JEC. Although there has always been a working relationship between these hospitals, the provincially mandated Hospital Restructuring Commission decreed that the association become a formalized planning group for healthcare in the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge area.

Ted Wilkes also feels that this move to the Joint Executive Committee will be beneficial. Not only does it allow board members to discuss healthcare, but involves doctors and executive directors, who will have the opportunity to have greater communication. "I think in the overall picture it will do nothing but help. It gives us an equal voice at the table. I am optimistic about

this," said Wilkes.

Wilkes agreed that HHHS deals with a much smaller population base than the four other hospitals, but noted that it also has the largest geographic area to look after. With this, HHHS has specific needs in providing rural healthcare than the other boards, and it is hoped that these differences would be noted at the JEC.

The first meeting of the Joint Executive Committee was held on January 11 in Peterborough.

Programs for kids in Coboconk

The kids in Coboconk won't be bored this year, thanks to the Lindsay Boys and Girls Club and the Bexley Recreation Committee. Once again the Boys and Girls club has developed a program to keep Coboconk area kids busy over the next few months that includes, crafts, sports movies and a babysitting course.

Heather Stephens, the satellite program co-ordinator for the Lindsay Boys and Girls Club says that the program has been running and quite successful for the past four years. "We like to change the program a little bit each year, to keep the kids coming. This year we have added the movies," said Stephens.

All of the activities will be taking place at Ridgewood Public School. The sports program begins on January 19 and will run every Tuesdays night until April 27. Children from five to eight years of age can come out and play soccer from 6:30 to 7:30 pm as well as floor hockey. Boys and girls from nine to thirteen years of age will play basketball and floor hockey from 7:30 to 8:30 pm through the same dates. The sports program is free to all children.

Some of the older kids that are hoping to make some extra money babysitting this summer may want to look into the Babysitting Leadership Course that will run in April. The four week program runs each Thursday in April at the cost is five dollars per child. The course reviews the practices of babysitting as well as first aid.

In the spring, there will be a series of craft classes for children aged six to twelve years-old. Each Tuesday in May from 6:30 to 8 pm.

And throughout the spring, the Boys and Girls club will provide "Movies for Kids". On February 27, March 13, March 27 and April 10, for a cost of two dollars, children and their parents will be able to enjoyed a movie on a big screen, as well as refreshments.

"It's really great that the Bexley Recreation Committee is committed to providing this program," said Heather Stephens. She noted that it was thanks to the committee that much of the program could run on a cost-free basis.

Parents are encouraged to phone Stephens to register for the programs. Upon arrival they will be required to fill out a one-time registration form.

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A new year a new challenge

Editorial Letters

As we reported several weeks ago, the capital campaign for the health services construction projects is about to begin in earnest. For many in our community, it may seem the fund-raising has been going on for more than a few years. While various groups have been collecting money for the replacement and expansion of the health services facilities in Minden and Haliburton, the effort has now moved into high gear.

It is worth noting that funds previously collected, such as those for the chronic care expansion in Haliburton, or the many gifts that have been made to the Minden Hospital Building Fund, have not disappeared, but have been incorporated into the current campaign. That explains why, even though the campaign has just started, the thermometer in front of *The Times* office indicates the effort has already reached the \$2 million level. With a target of \$5.5 million, having almost two-fifths of the amount in the bank provides a comfort level that most capital campaigns do not enjoy at the outset.

There is no doubt in our mind that

the community portion of the \$20 million project can be raised. Despite the lack of a significant industrial sector and an economy that is subject to seasonal swings, we believe that the business sector, those large corporations which do business in our communities, as well as seasonal and full-time residents, will realize the value of improved health care facilities to the future of the area. Certainly the Ministry of Health and the provincial government have listened to many local committees which, for years, have been calling for these changes. We are fortunate that MPP Chris Hodgson was personally aware of these needs and has been a strong advocate for the improvements.

The key now is to demonstrate, with our financial backing, that the community in general believes in this vision. The time has come to make a personal and business commitment to the future of health care services in the Highlands. That means digging deep and being generous when approached by a representative of the campaign committee. It means being supportive of fund raising efforts. It means encouraging others, who may

not realize the value of improved health care services, to contribute. (One approach which we think many individuals will find attractive is that individual campaign contributions can be spread over a number of years. Even though the project is slated to be completed in the spring of 2000, letters of commitment can be made for a five year period, making it easier for contributors and encouraging even larger commitments.) There are also innovative ways of making a long-term commitment to the benefit of health care services in the Highlands, through various planned giving programs, insurance policies, annuities and others. Those interested in pursuing these approaches can get information from the foundation office or from their insurance or investment representatives.

And so, as we begin a new year, we also start a new effort to prove to the world and ourselves that, as a community, we believe in the vision for better health care. Make no mistake about it, it is a big undertaking, but not one that is beyond our grasp. Working together, we can make it happen.

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Community support appreciated

Editor:

It is hard to know where to begin to express our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to the communities of Stanhope and Minden.

First, to Lou of Cherokee Resort, from the time of making the fire call, to providing items and finally for her concern of my son's progress with the situation.

The Stanhope Fire Department and volunteers who saw the fire through to the end, on a night when all should have been home, safe and happy with their families.

The Minden Fire Department for their backup and support.

Julie Chadwick for her total giving of time, energy and resources, that ensured that my son and I had a good Christmas and a new start.

Carol Moffatt, Kim and Tim George, Terri and Tom Gardner, Michelle Costello and Greg Watson and Carol Fisher and all provided clothing, personal items, gifts and concern.

The Minden Food Bank for opening its doors Christmas Day, to ensure our basic needs were covered. Brian Audrey, and Harvey Barnhart, for filling in the ranks, making Carson's Christmas and following weeks warm and secure.

Donna Kenney and family, whose

friendship, support and a place to live for a short while: I will always hold dear to my heart.

Last, but not least, Charlie and Sheila Robb, my parents, who lost their Christmas present in the fire. They saw us through from the start of the fire, right up to these words. I will never be able to repay your generosity, support and unconditional love.

It is reassuring to know that no matter what time of year tragedy strikes, the spirit of holding out an open hand and heart is alive and well.

From the bottom of my heart and that of my son, thank you everyone.

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OPP proposal was just an option not a plan

Editor:

I am responding to an editorial in your paper the week of January fourth, 1999, entitled *OPP replay*.

I attended a County Council meeting on December 16, 1998 at which I talked about an option, not a plan, to have the Minden/Coboconk detachment administered by one detachment commander for the whole area of Victoria and Haliburton Counties.

There was no mention of the clerical staff moving from Minden to Lindsay and I re-confirmed that in a phone call to your paper when I heard the reporter was of that opinion. I also talked about leaving an administrative Sergeant or Staff Sergeant in Minden, depending on the wishes of the community and the cost.

We are awaiting the decision of

Council on an OPP contract costing once they are provided with a costing from our Municipal Policing Bureau. As the regional commander, we will take our direction from the Councils of Haliburton County.

J.W. Hutton

Chief Superintendent, Regional
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Funding for projects in the Year of Older Persons

The last year of the millennium has come upon us, and as declared by the United Nations, 1999 has been designated as the International Year of Older Persons. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to celebrate and promote the contributions of the seniors in our community.

Over the years, our seniors have built this province into what it is today. Now is the time to recognize their contributions and acknowledge the significant role they have, will and do play in our communities. This is what the International Year of Older Persons is all about.

Our government intends to take a very active role in the facilitation and co-ordination of projects and events in celebration of this year. This will be

done in a manner that best meets the unique needs of our community and creates a lasting legacy for future generations.

In order that these goals can be reached, my colleague, the Honourable

Queen's Park Report

by Chris Hodgson, MPP

Cam Jackson, Minister of Long-Term Care with responsibility for Seniors, announced the Ontario Community Partnership Projects Program last October.

This program provides \$2.6 million in grants, province-wide to local groups to help seniors, seniors' groups and other community organizations celebrate the year.

Our local Community Committee will be receiving applications for funding until Friday January 29, 1999.

Our committee will be receiving applications for funding until Friday January 29, 1999. Our committee will be responsible for selecting applications to receive a portion of the \$20,000 allocated to Victoria-Haliburton.

Applications for this program are available in my constituency office at 2 King Street in Lindsay, and may also be submitted there until the deadline of January 29. I would like to take a moment to explain a few details of the application procedure.

Local groups will be expected to contribute at least 15 per cent of each project's cost through fund raising or in kind contributions. Eligible costs are those reasonably incurred to undertake an approved IYOP project or activity, rather than general operating expenses.

(more on page 8)

Going 'down' the road

Been down so long it looks like up to me.

Old blues lyric

I've got a question for you: which way is 'up'?

The question is not nearly as frivolous as it sounds. Why is it we refer to Tuktoyaktuk as being 'up north' but when we talk about Windsor, Ontario we say it's 'down south'? For that matter, where do Calgarians get off referring to Torontonians as 'Easterners'? Not to a Haligonian they're not.

I remember the first time I became aware of the relativity of 'up north'.

I was living in Toronto at the time and I mentioned to an acquaintance that I was going 'up north' for the weekend.

"Oh?" he said. "Whereabouts?" "Barrie" I answered. He laughed 'til he cried.

He was from Sudbury.

Later I moved to Thunder Bay, Ontario and discovered that people from British Columbia still considered me an Easterner.

Easterner? In Thunder Bay I was living in practically the dead centre of the whole danged country! If a Thunder Bay resident was an Easterner, what the hell was Joey Smallwood? 'Up' and 'down'; 'east' and 'west'; 'left' and 'right' — they all mean different things

to different people.

I remember as a little kid squatting in my backyard and digging like a maniac with my tiny sand shovel. My dad came along when I was down about a foot and a half, smiled and asked "What do you think you're trying to do — dig a hole to China?" I didn't know what he meant. So he explained to me that we all lived on this big ball called Earth, and if I dug deep and long enough I would eventually tunnel right through to the other side of the ball — possibly in the middle of a street in downtown Beijing.

Cosmic stuff for a little kid to digest. What I couldn't get my mind around was the image of all these Chinese people walking around upside down on this giant ball we all shared.

Now, I live on Canada's West Coast. That means that just about every day I wake up to radio newscasts and read newspaper stories about various happenings in 'The Far East'.

Which is to the left, or west...of where I live...if I think about it while I'm facing...up, or north.

My Far East is St. John's, Newfoundland. Hong Kong is more like the Near West to me.

My grasp on reality is shaky enough without this complication. I

find it all very confusing, and I personally hold Ptolemy responsible.

Ptolemy was an astronomer in Ancient Egypt, living about a century after the birth of Christ. It was Ptolemy who started the whole tradition of putting the north pole at the top of maps and globes — probably because the northern hemisphere was explored earlier than the rest of the globe and those early cartographers just filled in the rest by adding it to the bottom of their charts. Besides, it greatly simplified things when our notions of terrestrial geography were pictured on flat pieces of paper. As the centuries passed, it became an unquestioned convention to place the North Pole at the top of the chart.

It became our geographical 'up'.

And that's just looking at it from the 'earthly' point of view. Now that we're sending rockets to Mars, the moon and Venus; now that we fully acknowledge that planet Earth is but one whirling ball of dirt in a near-endless galaxy of whirling balls of dirt, the idea of 'up' and 'down' or even 'left' and 'right' becomes well-nigh ludicrous.

Everybody's 'down' is somebody else's 'up'. Take the residents of Canada's southernmost city — Windsor, Ontario. You know what's immediately north of them? The U.S. city of Detroit.

You could look it up.

Etcetera

Arthur Black

1999 a celebration of seniors' achievements

(from page 7)

Selected projects are eligible for one-time funding. Eligible applicants include seniors' organizations, or organizations serving the needs of seniors who can demonstrate they have consulted with seniors and have involved them in the proposal. Organizations must be legally incorporated, or work closely with one who can administer the grant. After all application have been submitted, they will be reviewed by the Community Committee,

and then the chosen applications will be forwarded with a recommendation for funding to the Senior's Secretariat towards the end of February.

Our vision is of a province where all seniors, now and in the future, age with dignity, remain independent and active in family and community life as long as possible, and are respected for their achievements and contributions to our society. I would like to encour-

age everyone to join in celebrating our province's seniors as we move towards "Ontario, a province for all ages."



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1998 Junior Women's curling championship rink unseated

Junior curlers demonstrate incredible skills

One shoe-in and one last minute surprise ended the Teranet Provincial Junior Curling Championships in Minden from January 5 to 10.

The world champion John Morris rink took the mens title and ladies favorite Jenn Hanna was defeated twice in the finals.

A shocked and upset Jenn Hanna came off the ice on January 10 after losing two straight matches to 14 year-old skip Julie Reddick and her team from Milton.

Because Hanna, the reigning provincial champion, was undefeated in regular play, the challenger was forced to play two games to take the title. In a tight second match, Reddick drew her last rock and squeaked by the strong Ottawa ladies team.

The men's final ended as many spectators anticipated, with John Morris and his Ottawa team defeating Rideau Curling Club challenger Sebastian Robillard.

Morris was not forced into playing

two matches since his team lost one match in round robin play to Tyler Morgan and his High Park Club.

The on-ice time was extended as several tie breakers had to be played to determine the positioning of teams for the semi final action.

The week-long event was heralded a success by spectators, organizers, curlers and coaches. During the partial closing ceremonies on Saturday, each team came forward to accept a prize and each thanked the Minden Curling

Club and noted how well the games were run and how hospitable Minden had been. Many also commented on the good food served all week.

Also on hand were representatives from the Bobcaygeon Curling Club, which will be hosting the 2000 Junior Provincial Championships, as part of the village's millennium celebrations. They observed that Minden would be a tough act to follow and that they hope to see many of the curlers present at their event a year from now.



WOMEN'S CHAMPS: The Julie Reddick rink from the Milton Curling Club will represent Ontario at the Canadian Junior Women's Curling Championships in Kelowna, BC after winning the Provincial title at the Minden Curling Club. The Junior Women's championship rink includes skip Julie Reddick, Karen Vachon, Leigh Armstrong, Stephanie Leachman and coach Pat Reid.



MEN'S CHAMPS: John Morris' rink, from the Ottawa Curling Club, earned a berth in the Canadian Junior Men's Curling Championships in Kelowna BC. The team won the Provincial Championship in Minden. The Morris team included Craig Savill, Jason Young, Brent Laing and coach Scott Taylor. Morris' rink is the defending World Junior Men's champion.

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High single: Maxine Cross 207; Jim Hindle 244

High single (handicap): Pat Bradburn 260; Jim Hindle 280

High triple: Maxine Cross 527; Fred Knight 577

High triple (handicap): Estella Burch 693; Marcel Roussel 668

Monday Night Mixed League

High average: Michelle Moore 197; Scott Moore 225

High single: Teresa Clement 301; Scott Moore 269

High single (POA): Teresa Clement +128; Scott Moore +46

High triple: Teresa Clement 690; Scott Moore 771

High triple (POA): Teresa Clement +171; Scott Moore +102

Congratulations to Teresa Clement, the newest member of the 300/700 club. She also won the cheater's pool.

The Monday Night Mixed League welcomes Doug and Lisa Schell.

Tuesday Night Mixed League

High average: Cathy Snell 231; Alex Little 222

High single: Cathy Snell 250; Len Punt Jr. 308

High single (handicap): Sandy Barr 287; Len Punt Jr. 322

High triple: Cathy Snell 700; Walt Stegmaier 708

High triple (handicap): Sandy Barr 701; Len Punt Jr. 778

Wednesday Night Men's League

High average: Scott Moore 235

High single: Len Punt Sr. 262

High single (handicap): Len Punt Sr. 276

High triple: Walt Stegmaier 681

Connor Cowan, Karen Prozak top Smurf bowlers of the week

Youth Bowling Council

Smurf

High average: Karen Prozak 57; Connor Cowan 59

High single: Bailey Cole 76; Connor Cowan 60

High double: Bailey Cole 135; Connor Cowan 112

Peewee

High average: Tori Brown 106; Sean Dole 80

High single: Tori Brown 106; Eric Whitty 74

High double: Sarah Prozak 205; Eric Whitty 115

Bantam

High average: Brandy Cole 72; Brad Brown 97

High single: Brandy Cole 75; Alex Philip 86

High triple: Brandy Cole 191; Brad Brown 277

Junior

High average: Kelly Berry 176; Matt Reinwald 180

High single: Kelly Berry 206; Joey Cox 229

High single (handicap): Kelly Berry 225; Kyle Burley 263

High triple: Kelly Berry 550; Matt Reinwald 589

High triple (handicap): Kelly Berry 607; Kyle Burley 619

Senior

High average: Elizabeth Goldenberg 154; Trevor Clement 178

High single: Elizabeth Goldenberg 198; Scott Philip 194

High single (handicap): Elizabeth Goldenberg 236; Scott Philip 256

High triple: Elizabeth Goldenberg 499; Trevor Clement 564

High triple (handicap): Elizabeth Goldenberg 613; Scott Philip 634

High triple (handicap): Len Punt Jr. 708

Thursday Afternoon Seniors League

High average: Edith Alzner/ Eleanor Lymer 166; Addie Dykstra 200

High single: Maxine Cross 212; Fred Knight 256

High single (handicap): Maxine Cross 269; Fred Knight 282

High triple: Shirley Irwin 535; Fred Knight 653

High triple (handicap): Shirley Irwin 703; Fred Knight 731

Thursday Night Mixed League

(January 7)

High average: Marlene Robinson 192; Walt

Stegmaier 218

High single: Marlene Robinson 237; Matt Harding 244

High single (handicap): Gwen Bryant 248; Dan Chumbley 294

High triple: Marlene Robinson 580; Walt Stegmaier 681

High triple (handicap): Sheila Woodcroft 681; Gerry Wagg 708

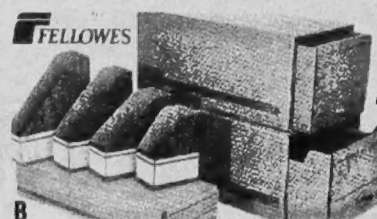
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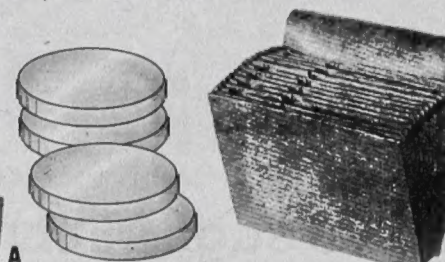


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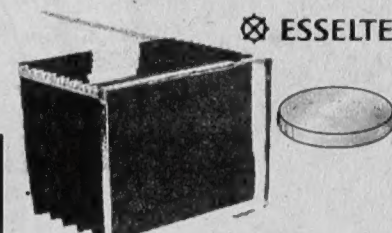


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Youth programs draw more than 100 skiers

Hats off to the leaders of the Jackrabbit ski program. (Don't take the hats off for too long in these recent cold temperatures!) After week number one, there were nearly 50 members with more on the way, and the great thing was that all of the kids were having lots of fun because of the enthusiasm of the adult volunteers. Please bring outgrown equipment to these sessions at Glebe Park on Saturdays at 1:30, as there is currently quite a shortage of equipment.

In addition, Eva Griffith has begun an after-school ski program for Grade 7 and 8 students at JDHES, and she has nearly 30 participants in this inaugural year. Not many schools on this continent can boast about being situated as close to such fine trails as we have in Haliburton, so it's great to see that these students are so keen to ski.

Coaches Dibblee and Griffith at the high school are hoping that these younger skiers wish to ski as fast as their counterparts at HHSS. On January 13, 22 students travelled to Lakefield College to begin the racing season. Carrie Heyes and Matt Hindman brought home gold in the Junior Girls and Midget Boys categories. Ainsley Heyes and Cody Duda took second in the Senior Girls and Novice Boys categories while Chris Ratz took third as a Junior Boy. Steph Ratz was fifth as a Senior Girl, while hard pre-season training and a keen attitude took Daniel Morgan to seventh spot as a Senior Boy. Congratulations to all who participated, because it's not about

winning, it's about wanting to get to the finish line as fast as possible (and going a bit faster next time).

When one counts the participants in these three youth programs of the Haliburton Ski Club, we see that there are currently well over 100 young people involved with the club's ski development programs.

This is surely a milestone to be proud of, especially in a community with a small population.

As mentioned earlier, these programs succeed because of the volunteers behind them, so these people (who are now so numerous that space will genuinely not allow for them to all be mentioned) should accept the thanks of the community for their efforts.

Also, the executive and employees the Haliburton Highlands Nordic Trails Association deserves credit for keeping the

trails in great shape through the season. John Felts, Jurgen Haedicke, and Don Gage have volunteered their efforts for quite some time to see to it that the Association stays on track and meets its challenges. Their efforts are too often unrecognized, so many skiers owe them a thank-you.

Finally, when you sit indoors and wonder whether it's worth skiing in January's frigid temperatures, remember that (1) fresh snow is beautiful, (2) this is

"really warm" for someone from Thunder Bay, and (3) you'll be glad you did it once you get back home. How many more reasons are necessary?

Nordic Notes

by Blake Paton

Midgets edge Millbrook

The Minden OMHA Midget hockey team edged the visiting Millbrook squad 2-1 on January 9. Blayne Saunders notched the first goal, from Gary Kernohan, in the first period. Kernohan scored the game winner midway through the third, with the assist going to Blayne Saunders. Shane Walker played a good game in the Minden net.

More sports on pages 14 and 16

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Photos, clockwise from top right:

* Richard Bazinet takes the turn on to Bobcaygeon Road on the way to the finish line.

* These two pooped out pooches take a rest in their kennel.

* The lone Junior racer, Jaclyn Rice, takes to the trail.

* These spectators had a lot to look at over the weekend.

* The lead dogs on this four dog team can't wait to test the trail, despite the chilly morning.

* The Kid and Mutt race is always a popular event of the weekend. Here a racer picks up her third place prize for her efforts.

* These junior racers have a few more years before they lead the team.



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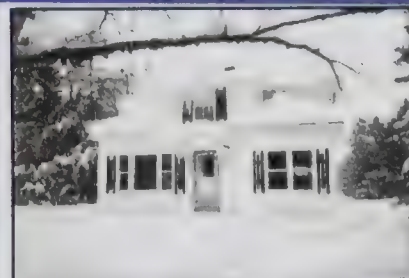
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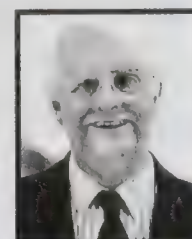


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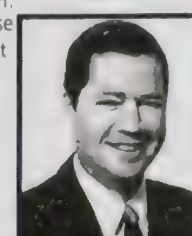
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The Minden Minor Hockey Association recently received a \$1,000 donation from the Shell Canada Community Service Fund. Doug Kernohan, President of Minden Minor Hockey (right), accepts the \$1,000 cheque from Minden Shell retailer Greg Carpenter. Carpenter volunteers with Minden Minor Hockey as the assistant coach of the OMHA Novice team. Kernohan advised that the funds will be used to purchase a new set of jerseys for the Novice team. Carpenter's former partner, the late Mel Flood also volunteered with Minden Minor Hockey by serving for many years on the executive. Kernohan thanked Shell Canada on behalf of the Association for its contribution to Minden Minor Hockey. He also thanked Carpenter for his continued support and dedication to Minden Minor Hockey.

Atom A Monarchs defeat Fenelon Falls Flyers 11-2

The Fenelon Falls Flyers OMHA Atom hockey team came to Minden to take on the Monarchs on January 9. When the ice crystals had settled, the Flyers found themselves with their wings clipped. They bowed to the Monarchs by an 11-2 margin.

Minden took command early in the game, building a 4-0 lead before the Flyers got on the scoreboard. The Monarchs added two more unanswered goals before the first period ended, for a 6-1 advantage going into

the second.

The middle frame saw the Monarchs increase their lead to 9-1, with three unanswered goals.

Just over a minute into the third, Minden scored goal number 10.

Fenelon got one midway through the period, but the Monarchs rounded out the scoring with less than a minute left in the game.

Kody Smith led the Minden scoring with three (consecutive) goals -- one late in the first period and two in the sec-

ond. He also picked up an assist. Aaron Keaney, Andrew Bull and Darrin Brown each scored two goals for the Monarchs. Keaney and Brown had one assist each, while Bull notched three helpers. Mark Fisher and Justin McKelvey contributed one goal and one assist each. Sean Keaney picked up four assists and Zac Joanu had three helpers to his credit.

Organizers and volunteers -- take a bow

Provincial Championships at Minden a huge success

by Sandy Cole

Well we did it! And boy, oh boy, we did it well. Mere words can not really express the vast amount of planning, organization and good old fashioned hard work that it took to host such a prestigious event as the Junior Provincial Championships. On behalf of the Minden Curling Club, I would like to thank the many hands that made this grand event an overwhelming success. With out the tireless efforts of organizers, co-ordinators, officials, timers, hostesses, ice, kitchen, cleaning and bar staff, sponsors and the endless volunteers, this event would not have happened. This tournament brought many people to Minden for the first time and we hope that the hospitality of the Minden Curling Club will entice them to visit our fair town again.

Our best goes out to all the participants and we wish "good curling" to the Julie Reddick and John Morris rinks who will now go to Kelowna B.C. to represent Ontario in the Canadian National Championships.

Our club is now gearing up for two upcoming bonspiels. On January 29, 30 and 31 is the Minden Winter Mixed 'speil. If you would like in this event call Harvey and Gail Kivela at 286-3300 or Melanie Vigrass and Doug Brown at 286-

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Bonspeil will be on Saturday, February 6. This event will consist of two six-end games and a pot luck supper. We hold this event each year to give non curlers the stepping stone to come and try curling. This is a fun bonspiel with no serious curling allowed! If you, your co-workers, friends, or your business wish to participate or find out more about this you may call Doug Brown at 286-4380. You do not have to have a team to enter this event as we will find one for you. Come out and see what all the fun is about!

League playoffs

Our first schedule is now in playoffs and the New schedule will be

starting again on January 18. Call the club if you wish to be on this schedule 286-3311.

Mens semi playoffs saw Dwight Thomas win over Ted Wilkes, and Bill Bonner (aka) Ross Bryant win over Alf Trotter. Winning the final was Thomas over Bryant. Mixed semifinal action was Thursday, with Dan Garbutt over Ted Wilkes and Melanie Vigrass and her team defeated Pat Woodcroft. The Friday night mixed playdowns saw Mike Whitmarsh prevail over Brian Cross and Ed Cyr defeated the Bill Roodenburg rink. This past Thursday, Dan Garbutt defeated Melanie Vigrass by a 9-2 score and on Friday the Ed Cyr rink shaded the Mike Whitmarsh team 8-7 in an extra end.

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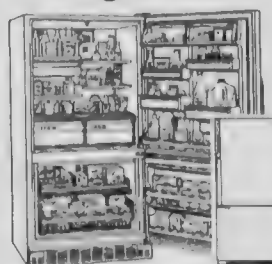
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OPP follow tracks to arrest theft suspect

The following report was compiled by the Minden/Coboconk detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police.

Truck Theft

A Glamorgan man has been charged on several counts after a pickup truck was reported stolen from the Dysart arena parking lot on January 7.

A black 1985 GMC pickup truck was reported stolen by the vehicle's owner. Upon receiving the report of the stolen vehicle, Minden OPP officers patrolled the Tenth Concession of Glamorgan Township, as the officers had recovered another stolen truck at a residence in Glamorgan two weeks prior to this incident.

The officers spotted the stolen vehicle on the north side of the Tenth Concession. They noticed a set of footprints in the snow leading from the truck to a residence on the Tenth Concession.

After investigating the residence, Constables Manuge, McMaster, Adams and Bennett, arrested Richard W. Lawrence, 24, on January 8, on a charge of Theft of a Motor Vehicle. Further investigation involving Constables Fredricks and Hays of the Central Region Street Crime Unit and the Minden Detach-

ment led to additional charges, including five counts of Break and Enter (on the Tenth Concession of Glamorgan Township that took place in early December), five counts of Possession of Property Obtained by Crime, three counts of Breach of Probation and the theft of a motor vehicle from mid December.

As well, a further recovery of over \$1,000 worth of stolen property obtained by the December break and enters was seized. The investigation of these incidents will continue.

Stolen Snowmobile

On January 12, a report was made regarding a stolen 1998 black Yamaha snowmobile, taken from Redkin Drive in Dysart Township. The snowmobile was stolen sometime between January 2 and 12. The value of the snowmobile is estimated at \$10,000.

Stolen Property

On January 12, David Michael Glassford, 33, of Guilford Township, was charged with Possession of Stolen Property over \$5,000 and Possession of a Controlled Substance. These charges resulted from the ex-

ecution of a warrant on Glassford's vehicle.

The value of the recovered stolen property was estimated at \$6,000. Glassford will appear in Minden Court on February 3.

Thieves even take kitchen sink

A Coleman Generator was stolen from a cottage garage on Little Kennis Lake on January 6. On January 8, a cottage on Boshkung Lake in Stanhope Township was broken into and a Sony VCR and several bottles of liquor were stolen.

Two days later, another cottage on Boshkung Lake in Minden Township was broken into. Various kitchen items were stolen including a counter top, a double kitchen sink, oak cupboard doors and a pantry.

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Lester brothers compete in Michigan races

Luke and AJ Lester of Minden made the 550 mile trek to Traverse City, Michigan on the weekend of January 9 and 10 to participate in the first American Snowcross Racing Association round of 1999. The well attended event suffered from an incredibly rough track due to a malfunctioning track groomer and poor visibility as more than 10 inches of snow fell over the two days of racing. ASRA Race Director Ken Avann, widely known for his strong concern for racing safety, wisely chose to reduce the number of laps in the finals on Sunday.

Range proposal meeting set for January 27, 7 p.m.

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FBI," he said.

The plan is to offer public memberships to the HRV, but Cunningham stressed that members would be subject to a screening process.

The last thing we want is for people to think we're running a Michigan Militia type operation," he said. "We have a reputation to protect. If that was our intention, we certainly wouldn't be conducting police officer training courses."

Cunningham has been a gunsmith for the past 20 years and he said he plans to have a shop at the facility, so repairs could be done on-site.

The HRV facilities could also be used by such organizations as Boy Scouts or Cadets for shooting training. Hunter safety training courses as well as firearms license courses would also be offered.

Miller has also become interested in fullbore shooting. She earned a berth on the Canadian team, along with her partner, by qualifying at the Fullbore Nationals. They will be travelling to South Africa in April to compete with the Canadian team in the World Long Range Shooting Championships. They will be shooting at ranges of 800 to 1,000 yards.

Miller said the HRV proposal has been a long process.

"We've put a lot of time, effort and money into it so far," she said.

The public meeting will start at 7 p.m. on January 27 at the Lutterworth Municipal Office. Written comments regarding the proposal will be accepted for 30 days after the meeting, ending on February 26. Correspondence should be directed to Keith Cunningham, 14 Burnt River Road, RR2 Burnt River, ON, K0M 1C0, with a copy to: District Planner Scott Dingwall, Ministry of Natural Resources, Highway 35 Bypass, Minden, ON, K0M 2K0.

While Luke and AJ will not be competing in the full ASRA circuit, they used this event to sort out their new sleds in preparation for the Canadian Snowcross Racing Association (CSRA) season opener, the Kawartha Cup in Lindsay, this past weekend.

Fourteen year-old AJ Lester, in his first ever event in the highly competitive Junior class (14 to 17 years) rode his Prentice Powersports of Minden SUPERTRAX/Ontario Snowmobiler, Royal Distributing, Tekrider, Studboy MXZX sponsored 440 Ski-Doo to first place finishes in qualifying on both days. AJ exploded into the lead on his Steve Charity-tuned Ski-Doo in Saturday's final and ran away from a pack of American riders - many of whom were 17 years old. In Sunday's final, AJ was second into the first turn and finished second in what could only be described as blizzard conditions.

AJ says he feels he has successfully made the transition from the 50 horsepower Novice ranks to the 100-plus horsepower Junior division. He was ready

for the Kawartha Cup.

Eighteen year-old Luke Lester rode his Janssen's of Muskoka, SUPERTRAX/Ontario Snowmobiler, Royal Distributing, Tekrider, Studboy, Legend performance fleet of Polaris Indys in his first ever Semi-Pro division competition. He was able to card an incredible day Saturday by qualifying for all five classes in the first round. Luke, on his Tim George-tuned Polaris snowmobiles, scored a first, a second, two thirds and a fourth against a strong field of U.S. and Canadian Semi-Pro drivers.

On Sunday, Luke suffered an early crash in Semi-Pro 440 Fan and was shaken after being run over. Not deterred, he went out in 500 and moved from 8th to 4th in two laps then suffered a mechanical problem which ended his charge.

In 440cc competition, Luke was running in second and headed for the lead when the same mechanical problem stopped his charge again. It was a tough day but Luke and his sleds will be ready for the Kawartha Cup.

Novice B Monarchs off to slow start in '99

The Minden Novice B Monarchs hockey team is still looking for its first win of 1999 after starting the new year with a pair of losses. The first was no contest, but the second was anybody's game to the end.

Rockets 5, Minden 0

The first game of '99 for the Novice B Monarchs saw them give up a 5-0 decision to the visiting Wilberforce Rockets on January 5.

Matt Johnston scored a hat trick for the Rockets, with Travis MacKay notching the other two. Jeremy Orth recorded the shutout.

Cannington 3, Minden 2

The next game for the Monarchs was January 9, at

home to the Cannington 2 squad. It was a seesaw battle from start to finish, with Cannington going home with a 3-2 win. The visitors scored the game winner with 2:17 remaining in the game.

Colin Callaghan drew first blood for the Monarchs about two and a half minutes after the opening faceoff of the second period. That goal was unassisted.

Cannington responded with two in a row to take over the lead going into the third frame.

Derek Nesbitt notched the equalizer at the 1:47 mark of the third, from Ryan Kerr and Zachary Pierson.

The late goal by the visitors went unanswered and they escaped with the one-goal win.

IFAW claims credit for end of Ontario hunt

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Rick Smith, national director of the International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW) hails the decision as a victory for his organization.

"Ontario is the first jurisdiction in Canada to end this abhorrent practice outright," Smith said. "The government is to be congratulated for heeding the wishes of the majority of Ontarians by taking the first step towards creating a true hunting ethic in this province."

IFAW officials say the spring bear hunt resulted in the slaughter of 4,000 animals annually. That represents four to six per cent of the provincial black bear population.

"Ending the spring hunt is one of the most posi-

tive changes to wildlife management in recent Canadian memory," Smith said. "We called for an end to this hunt and we will support this decision in any way we can. In fact, we would be willing to work with any Canadian province that follows Ontario's leadership in this area."

Spring bear hunting is still allowed in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, New Brunswick and Newfoundland.

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HHSS students are fighting after class

by Andrea Hughes, HHSS student reporter

It's been a few weeks since I've written a column I've been incredibly busy with end of the semester schoolwork and other stuff - that's my excuse!

But things are much better at HHSS since my last article. As most people know, extra-curricular activities are happening; with them sports teams have started up, so has the drama club and Lit Society. There was another Battle of The Bands last weekend, bigger and than the first with more people and more bands. The band deemed most worthy at this Battle was 4-20, but then there was that special little song performed by Dan Craig (and written by Doogan) which was pretty great. Anyway, that's not what I'm writing about this week. It's Aikido, the new extra-curricular activity starting up, so I'll explain that.

Aikido is a kind of Japanese self-defense. It's not considered a sport, but is done with the intention of bettering oneself both physically and spiritually. The teacher of this class is Mr. Gunnar Christensen, who is new to HHSS, and also teaches Communications

Technology. Mr. Christensen lived in Japan for two and a half years and, while living there, studied Aikido and received his black belt. He's now using his knowledge of Aikido to help a group of HHSS students to better themselves. And, yes, we have become much better.

So far, there have been three practices, all of which have taken place in The Hawk's Nest, or the upper area of the new triple gym which also contains the school's workout equipment. Considering the large number of students, things have been safe. When practicing moves, most of the "Aikidoists" manage not to drop people on other participants. The worst thing that's happened to me so far was Sarah Bloomfield accidentally kicking me in the head, but then, I'd accidentally kicked her first.

Aikido is not about aggression, but using your attacker's own energy to stop the attack. Students are encouraged to try the various moves with different partners to get some idea of what it's like to fight (fight is not the word I want but I really can't think of another one), with other body types and people of

different heights. A lot of time is also spent warming up and doing those fun stretches that make your leg muscles want to scream.

My favourite part of Aikido, other than flipping people over, is watching people somersault across the floor. It's really quite neat. So is seeing everyone pay their respects to the founder, and to each other before each demonstration. We bow before beginning and say "thank you" in Japanese after every demo.

Everyone seems to really be enjoying Aikido thus far -- the sheer number of participants is an indication of that, and Aikido class is talked about and worked on even out of class. Devon Dart has a lot of fun and, disregarding the "no aggression" rule, he can often be heard telling people, "Tonight. At Aikido. You're toast." Scott Martino tends to follow suit. Helen Harris has tried the flipping move at home and is unable to budge her father. "He's a brick wall," she says.

Oh, did I mention that Actor Stephen Segall recieved his training in Aikido? That's where all his crazy moves come from, which is pretty impressive. We just don't know yet where his acting abilities came from.

Quarry protest fails

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public hearings in Coboconk. There was also a field trip to the quarry site to get a sense of the community and geography of the situation.

"We're very disappointed with the results," said Poulson. We never expected to stop the quarry outright, but we did provide the OMB chair with 68

recommendations that would have made life better for us. We technically lost this case, but we provided a good defense." The group has been continually fund raising throughout the process to pay three expert witnesses who spoke at the OMB hearing on its behalf.

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Last Thursday our tea party, hosted by the Martha Group was quite well attended. Our thanks to the ladies for spending time with us and bringing us treats. Also that day we welcomed Mrs. Hazel Whittaker, our newest resident. The following morning quite a few of us gathered for our Diners club meeting. Everyone who attended stated how much our meal of the month for December was enjoyed, including the lemon pie that was made especially for the diabetics.

We are looking forward to our next meal of the month. Our menu for our Valentine dinner was also chosen. Since March is nutrition month, we decided that we should arrange something that we can participate in. It was decided to prepare a meal in a cooking program. There is to be a Chinese meal that can be served to all residents. Sounds good doesn't it? Another good meeting.

The C & M Musicians entertained us that afternoon at our happy hour. We certainly enjoyed the music and appreciate them coming to be with us. The weekend that followed was fairly quiet, but we did enjoy our quiet time, having a manicure, the treat wagon, ice cream and John Burgess who faithfully visited us on Sunday afternoon.

Monday, and time for our monthly resident council meeting. Elections took place for our executive and the following residents were elected. Lillian Harrison - president, Vera Barnhart - vice president, Nellie Ranson - secretary and the treasurer is Eleanor Pye. As well, the welcoming committee will be run by Lola Prentice and Nellie Ranson. Our congratulations

to them. Also discussed were our upcoming activities. A good meeting and well attended.

On Tuesday morning during chapel with Pastor Power, many of us remembered Agnes Mullen. Afterwards prayer friends met with Jean Randell. The following day we were given the opportunity to enjoy some fish and chips. Makes a nice change. In the afternoon some residents enjoyed a sing-a-long trivia with Janet. And that evening we warmly welcomed the Norland Hillbillies for our pub night. We were glad they were able to make it despite the extreme cold.

That brings us back to Thursday. This morning Pearl, with Corinne

and Joan are busy hosting bingo. Quite a few of us enjoy this activity and appreciate the volunteers who help us out. This afternoon St. Peter's Anglican Church is scheduled to host our tea party. We look forward to having them with us.

Before we sign off, we must mention that this week we welcomed Pastor Dan Millard to our pastoral advisory committee. He has agreed to hold a Sunday Service once a month. This really is a welcome addition to our pastoral program.

Also, residents here have identified a need for more contact from their friends in the community. So we would like to initiate a Friendly Neighbours Visiting Program. Should you be interested in participating, and we certainly hope a few of you are, please contact Linda Robertson, director of program services at 286-2140. Information sessions will be made available. Please think about it. We need you!

And one more thing. 1999 is a special year. It is the International Year of the Older Person. Guess that is it. Hope everyone has a safe and happy week. Look forward to chatting with you next week.

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Dated at the Township of Lutterworth this 5th day of January, 1999.

Mary Jane Irwin, A.M.C.T.,
Clerk-Treasurer,
Township of Lutterworth,
P.O. Box 850,
Minden, Ontario
KOM 2KO

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LUTTERWORTH

PUBLIC NOTICE

File # SR-12/98

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THE TOWNSHIP OF LUTTERWORTH

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

Proposed Amendment of Zoning By-law 4-81

DATE: Thursday, February 11th, 1999.

TIME: 4:00 p.m.

PLACE: Lutterworth Council Chambers -
Hwy. 35, 3 miles south of Minden

APPLICANT: Gerald Gillespie

LOCATION: Part Lot 20, Concession 7 described as Part 5 of 19R-4059 and located on the south east shoreline of Gull Lake

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: To provide for the creation of one lot to be developed for seasonal residential purposes. Zone change from Rural (RU) to Shoreline Residential Type 2 (SR2). This is a condition of Application for Consent H-55/98.

REPRESENTATION: ANY PERSON may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed amendment.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Township of Lutterworth in respect of the proposed amendment to the Zoning By-law does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Lutterworth before the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment is adopted, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss all or part of the appeal.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: relating to the draft By-law Amendment will be available during regular business hours at the Lutterworth Municipal Office or by phoning 705-286-1541.

DATED: At the Township of Lutterworth this 14th day of January, 1999.

Ms. Mary Jane Irwin, A.M.C.T.
Clerk-Treasurer

Around the County Town

by Nora Snyder (call 286-4450 or fax 286-4425)

It is quite interesting to watch winter unfold from this vantage point in our northern county town. Personally, I came up to Minden in order to get a vantage point in which to view my life at a distance and to find some perspective. I was only thinking of viewing my life, but now it appears the perspective is expanding to life in general. I am feeling at home here. I am understanding more of what life is about away from the congested and busy cities. I am learning how to take deep breaths, how to get in touch with what's important, how to live again. From here I see the panic, the anger, the feelings of helplessness as the Mega City deals with a snowfall of six inches and some bitter cold. They are thinking of calling in "the cavalry", in this case the Canadian Armed Forces, to help truck away the snow which is piling up. Can "the cavalry" save the day?

This winter snowfall appears to have touched deep feelings in the residents of Toronto. Those deep feelings seem to speak of the attitudes and assumptions of city dwellers. Interviews on the street on the evening news showed people raging at the TTC for the lack of service. Large crowds of frustrated people could be seen standing on corners with no way to get to work or home. A friend told me of someone she knew who was stuck on a street car for four hours. The doors couldn't open because cars were jammed up against them. There was no movement possible because of the snow pile-ups, making the streets very narrow. After the first hour holed up in that space, racial slurs were erupting and the woman became frightened.

There is also the real problem of the homeless, as they find ways of surviving in the cold and other citizens trying to help them. It seems to have been forgotten that this is Canada. Winter happens here and we must deal with these seasonal occurrences as best we

can.

I am so happy to be here and not have to deal with all that!! The space is so much appreciated!! As you know by now I am not a winter person, but I much prefer the look at the mounds of beautiful white stuff out there. I appreciate a warm house in these frigid temperatures which I don't have to leave to traverse my way through a large city. Just through a small county town.

Of course we are not without our problems up here. Just to inject a little humour into the situation, a friend of mine suggested I will have to change my advertising from "Minden House on the Gull, to Minden House on the Gulch!!" Where has the water in the river gone?

Elizabeth Mugridge of the Genealogy Society is going to supply me once in awhile with tidbits from our past and here is one which deals with winter; "Chickens were quickly acquired, their eggs and meat becoming an important item on the menu. Initially there were problems as they often froze to their perches during the bitter winter nights. Once a barn for other livestock was built the chickens were housed in there where the natural body heat of the larger inhabitants kept the temperature above freezing. Tales we hear of the chickens having free range of the family kitchen were obviously based on necessity rather than lack of hygienic standards."

Also having to do with genealogy, this announcement comes from the Hazelbrae-Barnardo Memorial Group, which will be meeting at the Fairview Heritage Centre, 567 Carnegie Ave., Peterborough, February 9 at 2:00 p.m. For more information please contact Irene Moxam at 286-2048 or Ivy Sucee at 1-705-742-7523.

There certainly were no worries this year about whether there would be a Dog Sled Derby. The snow is here in abundance. Lots of it is piled up to move onto the main street before the races begin. I am sure we had a great weekend!

Best wishes to all of us everywhere as winter continues its role as the great leveler!! Keep warm. Stay cosy!! Have fun!

SCORING NEWS

Here are the results of Bid Euchre for Seniors at the Minden Legion on January 12: There were three moonshots won by Marcel Roussel, Bob Evans and Len Kroes. The high scorers were Irene Fuhr, Bob Evans, Helen Lee and Gala Stamp. Ida Young won the hidden score. Sounds like a good afternoon!

The other Bid Euchre group from the Stanhope Firehall on January 13, had the following winners: Jean Dutka had a score of 250; Lottie Ruttan 265; Edith Burch 274; Bill Milford 279; and Len Kroes with the highest score of 287. Three moonshots were also won. Next week there will be a pot luck dinner at 6:00 p.m. with bid euchre to follow at 7:00 p.m.

The three bridge scores

On January 7, at Echo Hills, playing duplicate, Ross Fletcher and Muriel McIntosh were first. Helen McCracken and Gladys Fugar were second and Wynne and Morris Hansen came in third. No, the Lehoczkys have not left town. They just aren't in the winners' circle lately, which I hope doesn't make them leave town!

The other duplicate winners playing at Park Lane on January 13 were: first, Jacqueline and Kelly Metcalf; second

Nick Lehoczky (there's one!) and Mike Collins; and third, Elva Robinson (great to see Elva back after several months absence) playing with Cecile McLeod. There were six tables playing that day which is great in the winter!!

Contract bridge at Stanhope on January 12 had two small slams bid and made in a good start to the afternoon. They were won by Dorothy Strype with Betty Dicker and Stan Hill with Betty Roszell. The high scorers were: third, Muriel McIntosh, 4790; second, Stan Hill, 5570; first, Betty Dicker, 6690. Congratulations to all!!

At Club 35 last Monday evening, Bill Jordan won the 50/50 draw. Jean Randell won lone hands. The highs were won by Helen Windsor and Harry Randell with the lows taken by Marjorie Cowen and Alf Whyman. Marilyn Teljeur won the baloney!

At Gelert last blustery Tuesday night, there was a good turnout. Lone hands was won by Kit Schroter. Audrey Vick won the high woman and Isabel Saunders won the low. Don Hicks won high man and Gerald Hicks won low. Gerald also won the 50/50 draw.

Last January 7, at the Minden Legion, playing Euchre, Elva Paisley won most lone hands for the women and Norm Lee did the same for the men. High scores went to Pat Roussel and John Malton. The lows went to Ellen Holden and Vina Dredge. Other prizes went to Orval Francis, Sharon Evans and Verna McDonald.

After settling in after the Dog Sled Derby, here are wishes for another good week at the card tables!! See you here next week!

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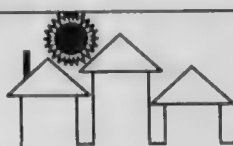
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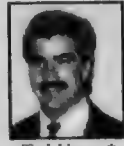


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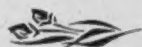
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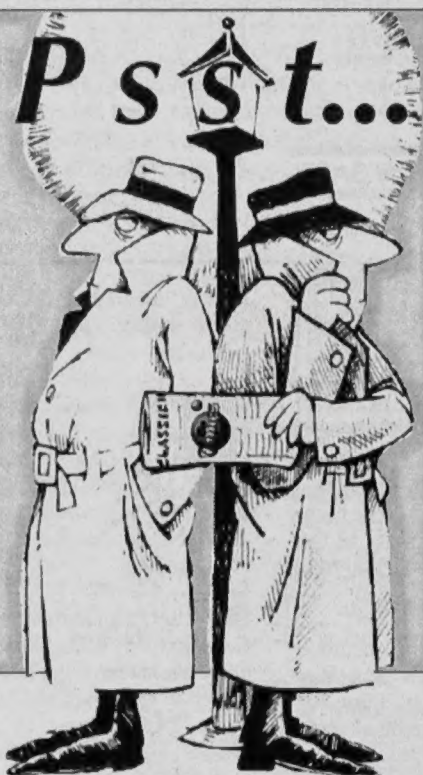
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Annie Kelly,
Lethbridge, Alta.

CARDS OF THANKS

A BIG heart-filled thank you to all of you who helped Ray and I in any way possible when we sure needed it. To family, friends, doctors, hospital staff and ambulance crew, V.O.N. home help. For your kindness, prayers, good wishes, phone calls, visits, cards and flowers. May God bless you all.

As ever,
Alice Crawford.

AT REST

**WARD,
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AT REST

**BRAZIER,
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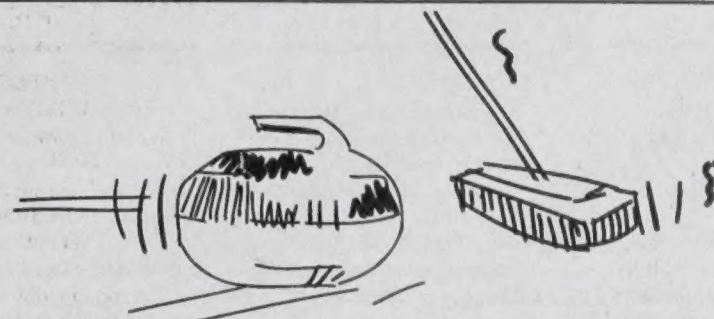
(Resident of Baddow, Ontario)
At Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay on Monday, January 11, 1999 in his 77th year. Beloved husband of Grace Large. Loving father of Barbara (Mrs. Ken Ferrill) of Norland and Lynne-Kirwin of Coboconk. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Katherine, Janet, Valerie and Tracy and great grandchildren Frank, Jessica, Reg, Vickie and Shealeigh. Dear brother of Alfred. Friends were invited to call at the Coboconk Community Funeral Home, Cameron Street (on Hwy #35) in Coboconk 1-800-833-4342 on Thursday afternoon, January 14, 1999 from 1 o'clock until time of Funeral Service in the Chapel at 2 o'clock. Cremation. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Ross Memorial Hospital Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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